# Longmont Museum Advisory Board Minutes of Meeting - Final June 19, 2019

1. **CALL TO ORDER**: 4:33 pm.

2. **ROLL CALL**: Board members present: Dale Bernard, Kris Binard Carlson, Brydon Cooke, Brandy Coons, Eve Lacey, Kristyle Solomon and Rhea Moriarity.

Board members absent: Dale Gilbert, Amber Shipco and City Council liaison Bonnie Finley.

Staff present: Aileen Jijina, Kim Manajek, Erik Mason and Joann McCoy.

- PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD: None.
- 4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**: Dale Bernard moved to approve the March 20, 2019, minutes as submitted. Her motion was seconded by Rhea Moriarity and unanimously approved.

The April 17 and May 15 meetings did not meet quorum.

### 5. **ACCESSIONS & DEACCESSIONS**

a. <u>April 2019 Accessions</u>: Kris Binard Carlson moved to approve the proposed April 2019 accessions. Her motion was seconded by Brandy Coons and unanimously approved.

This accession includes items transferred from the Police Department and a wedding ensemble worn by Longmont bride Sue T. MacFarland McCrary in 1882. A newspaper article elaborating on her wedding is already in our archives.

b. <u>April 2019 Deaccessions</u>: Brydon Cooke moved to approve the April 2019 list of proposed deaccessions. His motion was seconded by Kris Binard Carlson and unanimously approved. The deaccession consists of 54 items recommended for deaccession because of deteriorating condition and duplication within the collection. The campaign buttons were deaccessioned because they are reproductions purchased for a particular exhibit.

Deaccessioning will be an ongoing process as staff unpacks and evaluates the collection.

c. <u>May 2019 Accessions</u>: Rhea Moriarity moved to approve the May 2019 list of proposed accessions. Her motion was seconded by Dale Bernard and unanimously approved.

This accession includes a handmade quilt, designed in the "Grandmother's Flower Garden" pattern; photos from the Niwot area; a photo of the Affolter

cabin in its original location near Haystack Mountain; photos from the Longmont Parks Department archives of parks under construction in the 1970s and 1980s; US Post Office "scheme" books for mail sorters; and a scrapbook of Longmont's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary compiled for Wayne Jurgens who was chair of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee.

d. <u>June 2019 Accessions</u>: Kris Binard Carlson moved to approve the June 2019 list of proposed accessions. Her motion was seconded by Brydon Cooke and unanimously approved.

Included in this accession are Western Cutlery pocketknives manufactured in Longmont; a 1940s Longmont High School band helmet; a 1980s aerial view of the City of Longmont's compost facility; two 16mm films showing the construction of Button Rock Dam as well as the digitized versions.

Erik explained that the 16mm films wouldn't be viewed through a reel to reel projector, but we still want to preserve them. Although we have possession of the digitized versions, it's still strategic to preserve the most original media format. We have no idea what, for instance in 30 years, improved technology will enable us to get out of the original media for a higher quality experience.

### 6. **REPORTS**

a. Report of the Museum Director: Kim introduced our new registrar Aileen Jijina. Aileen has accomplished a lot in the short time she's been here including installation of the Red Grooms Ruckus Rodeo exhibition.

## Highlights from Kim's written Director's Report:

- 2020 general fund budget requests included a development position; moving our Education Program Leader position from the 582 program services fund to the general fund, increasing the Visitor Services Lead to ¾ time, as well as increasing the Events and Rentals Coordinator to ¾ time.
- Moving the Education Program Leader to the general fund makes that
  position more sustainable and also complements City Council's work plan
  priority of early childhood education. The position focuses our Discovery
  Days program and summer camps.
- Also within the 2020 budget requests is a one-time request to partner with the Parks Department for a book authored by Paula Fitzgerald on Longmont Parks.
- Art in Public Administrator Lauren Greenfield has resigned. The AIPP
   Administrator position will go from half time to full time. Kim has formed an
   interview panel.
- The Ansel Adams exhibition spurred more membership purchases. We're now hovering around 800 current members.

- Erik reported that the water pressure issues at the off-site storage facility have been solved and our humidification system had a few problems with simple fixes. Drainage issues are being addressed with redesigning the slope away from the building. Regrading work will begin on July 8. Once these issues are solved we will schedule an advisory board meeting there.
- The Museum will be hosting a conversation with Patty Limerick and Temple Grandin about life in the West.
- b. Report of the Chair: None.

### 7. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. <u>Advisory Board terms, renewals and appointments</u>:
   Brydon Cooke, Rhea Moriarity and Ellen Ranson were appointed for terms ending June 30, 2022.
- 8. **NEW BUSINESS:** None.

### 9. **BOARD COMMENTS**:

- In light of not making quorum for the April and May meetings, Eve requested that going forward board members confirm for each meeting that they will be attending.
- We had previously considered voting via email for accessions and deaccessions.
   However, it is not considered a best practice and we will not pursue it.
- Joann reviewed open meetings requirements and sunshine laws.
- Our City Council liaison Bonnie Finley will be term limited in November and a new Council liaison will be appointed.
- Re: Longmont Performing Arts Initiative (LPAI) feasibility study: Kim Manajek has been invited to be part of the Selection Committee to review the RFPs and select a consulting firm to undertake the feasibility study for a performing arts and convention center. They reviewed eight responses, and have narrowed them to three. If any Museum Advisory Board members are interested in speaking to the process, Kim invited them to be part of the community engagement process. Discussion followed.
- 10. **MEETING ADJOURNED**: 5:35 pm.

Submitted.

Joann McCoy